

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln. No. : 10/560,267
Applicant : Sorensen, et al.
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Examiner : Thuong, Kevin Thao
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Customer No. : 33197
Title : Tubular Cutter Device and Methods for Cutting and Removing Strips of
Tissue From the Body of a Patient

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement office action issued on September 29, 2009,
Applicant elects, without traverse, to prosecute method claims 23-35.

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any fees due in connection with the filing of this
response from Deposit Account 50-0878.

Respectfully submitted,
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